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37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825

<u>AND</u>

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825, that accompanied the Office Action mailed May 3, 2001, Applicants submit herewith the required paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing. Please amend the specification in adherence with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 as follows.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 54, line 14 with the following:

--A model CAP probe was synthesized using cholesterol as the hydrophobic ligand. In this simple model, cholesterol units were placed adjacent to both the donor and acceptor (Figure 1). The model sequence was B-Actin which is a well characterized probe used in the "Taqman"